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SOUTHERN DIVISION

1940 RANGE CONSERVATION PROGRAM

SOUTHERN REGION BULLETIN 452



INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHECKING AND REPORTING PERFORMANCE

[Applicable only to Texas and Oklahoma]

PART I - GENERAL

Form SR-454, "Performance Report - 1940 Range Conservation Program - Southern Region", (hereinafter referred to as Form 454) is to be used in reporting approved range-building practices carried out on ranching units in 1940. Only one copy of this form will be prepared and in all cases it shall cover the same land as is covered by a single Form SR-452, "Report on Examination and Request for Participation" (hereinafter referred to as Form 452). If one Form 454 is not sufficient for reporting all data for the ranch, additional Forms 454, designated "Continuation Sheet", should be prepared, properly identified, and attached to the original form.

In determining the extent to which practices have been carried out on the ranching unit the instructions in SRB-403A regarding the care and use of aerial photographs or other maps and the determination of acreages or other units of measurement shall be followed.

PART II - ENTRIES BY COUNTY OFFICE

All entries in the heading and in Section 1 of Form 454 shall be made in the county office before the form is delivered to the range inspector. The extent of the practices carried out on the ranching unit shall be summarized in Section 3 by the county office after the Form 454 has been executed by the range inspector and returned to the county office.

A. Heading:

Enter the required information from the upper right corner of the related Form 452.

B. Section 1. - Names and Addresses of Ranch Operators:

Enter from the related Form 452.

C. Section 2. - Approved Range-building Practices Carried Out:

The entries in the column headed "Extent of Practices" for those practices which are expressed in acres shall be computed and entered by a clerk in the county office after measurements have been determined by the range inspector.

D. Section 3. - Summary of Practices Carried Out:

Enter in the column headed "No. and description of practice" under practice No. 1(b) (Supplemental practices) a short description of any practices recommended by the county committee and approved by the State committee which have been carried out on the ranch in 1940 in connection with deferred grazing, and summarize in the column headed "Extent of Practice" the extent to which such practices were carried out.

Summarize in the column headed "Extent of Practice" the extent to which each approved range-building practice was carried out, as shown in the column headed "Extent of Practice" in Section 2.

In the column headed "Extent of Practice" enter for practice No. 7 only the total number of earthen tanks or reservoirs constructed and enter for practice No. 10 only the total number of natural watering places developed.

E. Section 4. - Signatures:

The clerk in the county office who summarizes the practices in Section 3 of Form 454 shall affix his signature and enter the date thereof in the spaces provided.

PART III - ENTRIES BY RANGE INSPECTOR

Entries by the range inspector shall be made on Form 454 at the time he visits the ranching unit. In order to determine whether the range-building practices meet the necessary specifications, the range inspector should carry with him a copy of SRB-451, "Texas and Oklahoma Handbook for Range Conservation", with any amendments thereto, and a copy of all specifications established by the State and county committees for the various practices.

A. Section 2. - Approved Range-building Practices Carried Out:

Location: Enter from the enlargement or map of the ranching unit the location of each tract of land on which an approved range-building practice, for which prior approval has been given by the county committee on Form 452, has been carried out. If two or more practices

have been carried out in the same pasture or more than one project of the same practice (two wells drilled, two reservoirs constructed, etc.) has been carried out in the same pasture, the location of such pasture shall be reported for each such practice or project. Practices carried out with labor, seed, trees, or materials furnished in part by any State or Federal agency shall not be reported on Form 454, 1/ except where the amount of such assistance rendered the ranch operator(s) by the State or Federal agency represents less than one-half of the total cost of carrying out the practice.

Description of practice: Enter a short description of each practice, using the applicable description appearing in Section 3 of Form 454. Where a practice was carried out with labor, seed, trees, or materials furnished in part by a State or Federal agency and one-half credit is allowed the producer for the extent to which the practice is carried out, the notation "1/2", followed by the name of such agency, shall be entered after the description of the practice.

Extent of practice: Enter in the column headed "Extent of Practice" the acreage, linear feet, cubic feet, cubic yards, or pounds of each practice carried out. The range inspector will make this entry for all practices except those which are expressed in acres, which must be made in the county office after measurements have been determined. Particular attention should be given to making entries in connection with the following practices:

2. - Artificial reseeding: Enter and designate both the number of pounds of seed sown and the acreage of land on which such practice has been carried out.

4. - Contour listing, furrowing, and chiseling: Enter separately the linear feet of listing, furrowing or chiseling, according to the designation under (a), (b), or (c), of practice 4.

7. - Construction of earthen tanks or reservoirs: Enter separately for each earthen tank or reservoir the total cubic yards of dirt moved in connection therewith,

1/ Labor, seed, trees, or materials furnished to a State, a political subdivision of a State, or an agency thereof, by any agency of the same State shall not be deemed to have been furnished by a State agency, nor shall trees purchased from a Clark-McNary Cooperative State Nursery be deemed to have been paid for in whole or in part by a State or Federal agency.

and also list separately with respect to the same reservoir (1) the cubic yards of dirt used in construction of the dam and (2) that not used in construction of the dam but necessary in constructing the tank or reservoir.

9. - Drilling or digging of wells: Indicate the size of the casing of each well (outside measurement).

10. - Development of natural watering places: List separately each natural watering place developed and enter for each place the number of cubic feet excavated and indicate whether the excavation was in soil or gravel or in rock formation.

12. (a), (b), or (c) - Elimination of prickly pear and cactus: Indicate whether the infestation was light, medium, or heavy.

13. (a), (b), or (c) - Elimination of mesquite: Indicate whether the infestation was light, medium, or heavy.

14. (a), (b), or (c) - Elimination of cedar: Indicate whether the infestation was light, medium, or heavy.

15. - Elimination of lechuguilla: The range inspector shall determine and enter following the description of the practice for each tract on which lechuguilla has been eliminated the percentage of the ground infested. If the percent infestation is more than 2 percent, the entire acreage in the tract shall be entered in the column headed "Extent of practice". If the percent infestation is 2 percent or less, the acreage to be entered in such column shall be determined by calculating two or more acres as one acre, according to the relative facts found by the range inspector and approved by the county committee.

B. Section 4. - Signatures:

The operator(s) and the range inspector shall affix their signatures and enter the date(s) in the spaces provided.

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